

**National Book Award  
Winner**

# Jonathan Kozol



**Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m.  
Central Library, 820 E St.  
Downtown San Diego**

Author Jonathan Kozol will discuss his new book **“The Shame of the Nation: The Restoration of Apartheid Schooling in America.”** Kozol visited 60 schools in 11 states over a five-year period and found, despite the promise of Brown v. Board of Education, many schools serving black and Hispanic children are spiraling backward to the pre-Brown era.

In 1964, Kozol left his comfortable surroundings in Cambridge, Mass., to begin work as a teacher in low-income, predominately black Roxbury, first in a freedom school and later in a public elementary school. His first published nonfiction, “Death at an Early Age: The Destruction of the Hearts and Minds of Negro Children in the Boston Public Schools” (1967), winner of the National Book Award, drew upon his experiences as a fourth-grade teacher. The practice of immersing himself in the lives of his subjects became the pattern for his subsequent searing studies of the injustices a wealthy society visits upon its most vulnerable members. Kozol’s other books include “Illiterate American” (1980), “Rachel and Her Children: Homeless Families in America” (1988) “Savage Inequalities” (1991) and “Amazing Grace: The Lives of Children and the Conscience of a Nation” (1995).

**The cost of the event is \$5 per person. To make a reservation, please contact the City Club of San Diego at 619-687-3580 or [cityclubofsandiego@prodigy.net](mailto:cityclubofsandiego@prodigy.net). For more information, visit the City Club Web site at <http://www.cityclubofsandiego.com>.**



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# Books by Jonathan Kozol available at the San Diego Public Library

- “Alternative Schools: A Guide for Educators and Parents” (371.04/KOZOL)
- “Amazing Grace : The Lives of Children and the Conscience of a Nation” (362.7/KOZOL)
- “Children of the Revolution: A Yankee Teacher in the Cuban Schools” (370.97291/KOZOL)
- “Death at an Early Age” (371.97/KOZOL)
- “Free Schools” (370/KOZOL)
- “Illiterate America” (370.973/KOZOL)
- “The night is dark and I am far from home” (370.1/KOZOL)
- “On Being a Teacher” (371.01/KOZOL)
- “Ordinary Resurrections: Children in the Years of Hope” (305.23/KOZOL)
- “Rachel and Her Children : Homeless Families in America” (362.5/KOZOL)
- “Prisoners of Silence: Breaking the Bonds of Adult Illiteracy in the United States”
- “Savage Inequalities: Children in America’s Schools” (371.967/KOZOL)
- “The Shame of the Nation : The Restoration of Apartheid Schooling in America” (*On order*)